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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## **Listing of Claims:**

Claim 1 (canceled).

Claim 2 (previously presented): The electronic money system according to claim 10, wherein said information card is a non-contact type information card for transmitting/receiving said money data to/from the plurality of electronic money terminals without any contact with the electronic money terminals.

Claim 3 (previously presented): The electronic money system according to claim 10, wherein when said utilization-history data of any of said plurality of electronic money terminals has been lost, said electronic money management means employs the utilization-history data from the other electronic money terminals.

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Claim 4 (previously presented): The electronic money system according to claim 10, wherein said electronic money management means makes a comparison of the contents of the plural data of utilization-histories which have been gathered from said respective electronic money terminals, and then performs a tabulation in a manner such that the plural utilization-history data which have coincided with each other at the comparison are treated as one utilization-history data.

Claims 5-9 (canceled).

Claim 10 (currently amended): An electronic money system comprising:

an information card for storing electronic money data and utilization-history data relating to deposits or withdrawals of electronic money, money and utilization of the information card;

a plurality of electronic money terminals for withdrawing the money data from the information card, each of the electronic money terminals operatively reading the utilization-

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history data when said electronic money data is withdrawn from the information card for authorization for withdrawing the money data; and

electronic money management means for gathering the utilization-history data from the electronic money terminals so as to give the information of the utilization-history data to at least one of the other electronic money terminals.

Claim 11 (currently amended): A method for using money in an electronic money system comprising the steps of:

storing electronic money data and utilization-history data relating to deposits or withdrawals of electronic money and utilization of an information card on the information card;

reading the utilization-history data when electronic money data is withdrawn from the information card at any one of a plurality of electronic money terminals for authorization for withdrawing the money data; and

gathering the utilization-history data from the electronic money terminals so as to give the information utilization-history data to at least one of the other electronic money terminals.

Claim 12 (previously presented): The method as defined in claim 11, wherein when said utilization-history data of any one of said plurality of electronic money terminals has been lost, the utilization-history data from the other electronic money terminals is employed.

Claim 13 (previously presented): The method as defined in claim 11, further comprising the steps of:

comparing the contents of the utilization-history data of the plurality of electronic money terminals which have been gathered, and performing a tabulation in a manner such that the plurality of utilization-history data which have coincided with each other when compared are treated as one utilization-history data.

Claim 14 (currently amended): An information card adapted to be used in an electronic money system including a plurality of money terminals for withdrawing money data from the information card and reading utilization-history data when electronic money data is withdrawn Appl. No. 09/512,425

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from the card, and an electronic money manager for gathering the utilization-history data from the electronic money terminals so as to give the information of utilization-history data to at least one of the other electronic money terminals, said information card comprising:

storing means for storing electronic money data and the utilization-history data relating to

deposits or withdrawals of electronic money and utilization of the information card for

authorizing withdrawal of the money data, at any of the money terminals.

Claim 15 (previously presented): The information card as defined in claim 14, wherein the information card is an IC card.